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PATIENTS WITH CROHN'S DISEASE

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RESPONSE AND DECLARATION

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2009, please enter the following remarks and Declaration. A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.